GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Public Services – Tirupathi District - Departmental Proceedings against Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer of KCN Gunta Cluster, O/o. Tahsildar, Sullurpet Mandal, Tirupati District Erstwhile SPSR Nellore District - Violation of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 – Departmental proceedings under rule 20 r/w rule 24 of A.P.C.S. (CC & A) Rules, 1991 - Articles of charges – Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 621 **Dated: 17-09-2024**

Read the following:-

1. From the D.G., ACB, Lr.C.No.34/DES-NNL/2020, Dated:28.02.2024
2. G.O.Ms.No.192, Revenue (Vig.III) Department, Dt:17.09.2024.

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ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer of KCN Gunta Cluster, O/o. Tahsildar, Sullurpet Mandal, Tirupati District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of charges (Annexure—I). A statement of imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure – III & IV).

3. Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer is directed to submit, within 10 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defense.

4. Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in Para—3 above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer of KCN Gunta Cluster, O/o. Tahsildar, Sullurpet Mandal, Tirupati District is invited to Rule 24 of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings it will be presumed Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To:
Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer of KCN Gunta Cluster, O/o. Tahsildar, Sullurpet Mandal, Tirupati District, (**through** Collector & District Magistrate, Tirupathi District).

Copy to:

The Collector & District Magistrate, Tirupathi District.
The Collector & District Magistrate, SPSR Nellore District.
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P, Mangalagiri.
Sf/Sc.

//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI K.RAMAKRISHNAIAH, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER OF KCN GUNTA CLUSTER, O/o. TAHSILDAR, SULLURPET, TIRUPATI DISTRICT ERSTWHILE SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT.

That Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer of KCN Gunta Cluster, O/o. Tahsildar, Sullurpet Mandal, Tirupati District Erstwhile SPSR Nellore District (hereinafter referred as Government Servant) while working as such during the period between 20.09.2015 to 24.01.2020 being a Village Revenue Officer, he failed to discharge his legitimate duties and committed the following Irregularities in as much as:

Charge: That the Government Servant being a Village Revenue Officer, he kept 11 Pattadar Passbooks in his possession without disbursing/handing over them to the owners of the Pattadar Passbooks and causing the delay, exhibited gross negligence in performing his duties.

Thus, Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer of KCN Gunta Cluster, O/o. Tahsildar, Sullurpet Mandal, Tirupati District Erstwhile SPSR Nellore District by his above-mentioned acts exhibited lack of devotion to duty and conduct and becoming of Government servant and thereby contravened Rules 3(1) & 3(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI K.RAMAKRISHNAIAH, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER OF KCN GUNTA CLUSTER, O/o. TAHSILDAR, SULLURPET, TIRUPATI DISTRICT ERSTWHILE SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT.

Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer of KCN Gunta Cluster, O/o. Tahsildar, Sullurpet Mandal, Tirupati District Erstwhile SPSR Nellore District is a native of Melupaka Village, Doravaarisatram Mandal, Tirupati District, Erstwhile SPSR Nellore District. His date of birth is 04.06.1984. He joined in the Government service as VRA on compassionate grounds on 15.01.2003 at Melupaka Village of Doravaarisatram Mandal, Tirupati District Erswhile SPSR Nellore District and he got promotion as VRO on 23.04.2008 and he was worked at different places and he was joined as VRO of Koridi-1 Cluster on 20.09.2015 to 10.07.2019 and looked after KCN Guna Cluster, O/o. Tahsildar, Sullurpet on 11.07.2019 and worked till the date of surprise check i.e. on 24.01.2020. His date of retirement on attaining the age of superannuation is 31.05.2046. He is here- in-after referred to as Government Servant.

Charge: That the Government Servant being a Village Revenue Officer, he kept 11 Pattadar Passbooks in his possession without disbursing/ handing over them to the owners of the Pattadar Passbooks and causing the delay, exhibited gross negligence in performing his duties.

FACTS AND EVIDENCE:

Surprise Check was conducted at O/o Tahsildar, Sullurpet on 24.01.2020 in the presence of two mediators. The search revealed that,

During the Surprise Check, the search party entered the VRO's room situated in the dilapidated old Tahsildar Office. The Inspector revealed his and his Search Party identity to the VROs and some public present in that room and explained the purpose of the visit. On enquiry, they revealed their identity as 1) Sri K.Venkataiah, VRO of Dama, Nellore cluster. Then the ACB team conducted a personal search and found Rs.150/- in his left side shirt pocket. The Search Party also caused searches, 2) Sri K. Ramakrishnaiah-VRO of KCN Gunta cluster (Regular), when the ACB team conducted a personal search and found Rs. 200/- in his left side shirt pocket and 3) Sri Y. Paleiah, VRO of Sriharikota, when the ACB team conducted personal search and found Rs. 400/- in his back side pant pocket. Though the cash found with the employees working in the Office of the Tahsildar, Sullurpet was not entered in the Personal Cash Register, the amounts found with them are returned to the employees respectively to meet their expenses under proper acknowledgement. Then the Search Party continued searches in the room and found the following Pattadar Passbooks in the iron safe of Sri K. Ramakrishnaiah, VRO of KCN Gunta cluster:

Passbooks:

1. PPB Serial No. 09Z45O039000048 namely Kokku Venkateswarlu, S/o Musalaiah of Koridi Village.

2. PPB Serial No. 09N45B039000038 Namely Talari Chengaiah, S/o Chenchu Ramaiah of Papaneri Village.

3. PPB Serial No. 09L45S039000039 Namely Talari Kesavulu, S/o Chenchu Ramaiah of Papaneri Village.

4. PPB Serial No. 09J45L039000040 Namely Tripurari Sudhakar, S/o Venkatesulu of Maveri Village.

5. PPB Serial No. 09R454039000042 Namely Tripurari Ramaiah, S/o Venkatesulu of Maveri Village.

6. PPB Serial No. 09645V039000041 Namely Tripurari Venkata Krishnaiah, S/o Venkatesulu of Maveri Village.

7. PPB Serial No. 09Z45M039000043 Namely Talari Revathi, W/o Ramesh of Papaneri Village.

8. PPB Serial No. 09M45Q039000052 Namely Balajamgam Chendramma, W/o Prasad, Koridi Village.

9. PPB Serial No. 09C45MO39000047 Namely Kokku Krishnaiah, S/o Musalaiah of Koridi Village.

10.PPB Serial No. 09Q455039000046 Namely Kokku Muni Rathnam, S/o Musalalah of Koridi Village.

11.PPB Serial No. 09X459039000045 Namely Pilli Malleswari, W/o Veera Swamy, Koridi Village.

As per the above evidence it is proved that the Government Servant kept 11 Pattadar Passbooks in his possession without disbursing/ handing over them to the owners of the Pattadar Passbooks and causing the delay, exhibited gross negligence in performing his duties.

Hence, the charge is held substantiated.

Thus, Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer of KCN Gunta Cluster, O/o. Tahsildar, Sullurpet Mandal, Tirupati District Erstwhile SPSR Nellore District by his above-mentioned acts exhibited lack of devotion to duty and conduct and becoming of Government servant and thereby contravened Rules 3(1) & 3(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Thus the Government Servant, Sri K.Rama Krishnaiah, Village Revenue Officer of KCN Gunta Cluster, O/o. Tahsildar, Sullurpet Mandal, Tirupati District Erstwhile SPSR Nellore District rendered himself for regular Departmental enquiry for major penalty under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

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ANNEXURE - III

ORAL EVIDENCE:

The following oral evidence is available on record.

1) LW-1: Sri Shaik Gouse, S/o Rahmathulla, Age 53 yrs, Occ: Asst. Labour officer, O/o Deputy Commissioner of Labour, Nellore. R/o D. No. 5-2-42, Paruveti Arugu road, Kovur (V & M), SPSR Nellore District. (Mediator-1)

He acted as Mediator-1 and he speaks about the facts of the Mediators' Report drafted at the Tahasildar Office, Sullurupet, Nellore District on 24.01.2020.

2) LW-2: Sri Sd. Guffuron, S/o (Late) Sd. Shameer Basha, Age 24 yrs, Occ: Jr. Asst. O/o Asst. Labour office, 1st Circle, Nellore, R/o D. No. 6-3-173, Malakondareddy Street, Settigunta Road, Nellore city, SPSR Nellore District. (Mediator-2)

He acted as Mediator-2 and he speaks about the facts of the Mediators' Report drafted at the Tahasildar Office, Sullurupet, Nellore District on 24.01.2020.

3) LW-7: Sri B. Ramesh Babu, Inspector of Police, ACB, Nellore Range, Nellore.

To Speak about the Surprise Check conducted over the O/o. The Tahsildar, Sullurupeta, SPSR Nellore, submission of report etc.

If any witness is found to be necessary, will be produced at the time of enquiry.

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ANNEXURE-IV

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE:

The following documentary evidence is available:

1. Letter of RDO, Naidupet, SPSR Nellore District in Rc. C/196/2020, Dt. 08.03.2020 - Containing the service particulars and job charts.

2. Mediators' Report drafted on 24.01.2020 for the Surprise Check conducted over the O/o the Tahsildar, Sullurupeta, SPSR Nellore Dist.

3. Photostat copies of 11 Pattadar Passbooks: The Original 11 Pattadar Passbooks were found in the possession of the Government servant, later those were Xeroxed and attested by the mediators, Tahsildar and seized for further enquiry.

If any document is found to be necessary, will be produced at the time of enquiry.

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